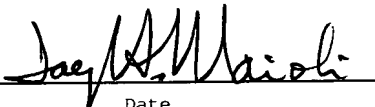


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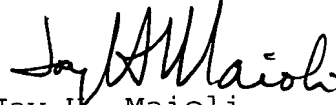
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Applicants hereby submit a newly executed Declaration that  
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The required surcharge is also submitted herewith  
along with a copy of the subject Notice.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all elements of the application have now been filed and an early and favorable examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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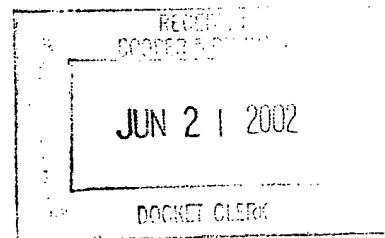
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 months months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

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